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**SAN ANTONIO BUSINESS EXECUTIVE FACES  
ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FRAUD AND MONEY LAUNDERING CHARGES**

**(SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS)** A federal grand jury in San Antonio returned a superseding indictment against the principal of United Homebuilders and Remodelers, LLC. for scheming to defraud the City of San Antonio and its Rental Rehabilitation Program. The indictment included 16 new charges and a criminal forfeiture demand.

Today's superseding indictment includes one mail fraud charge and one money laundering charge handed down November 28, 2001, against 39-year-old **PEDRO OCTAVIO ESTEVEZ** (aka Peter Estevez) as well as eight new mail fraud charges, seven new money laundering charges and a bank fraud charge. The superseding indictment also seeks the criminal forfeiture of \$354,435 or substitute assets amounting to that dollar figure.

The 16 new charges filed against Peter Estevez center on real estate transactions. The superseding indictment alleges that Estevez bought real estate properties that were in poor condition, conducted various minor repairs, then resold the properties. Frequently, Estevez resold the properties to individuals who were willing to pay more money because they either had bad credit or no credit at all. The superseding indictment alleges that Peter Estevez created fraudulent documents that were mailed in furtherance of a scheme to defraud mortgage companies into providing loans for the buyers. Estevez used fake letterhead, fictitious authors, and false information to substantiate a homebuyer's credit, rental, and employment history, then provide the documentation to a mortgage company in an effort to obtain a loan. The superseding indictment also alleges that Estevez concealed the fact that he was providing buyers with money for their down payment and furthermore, falsely stated on loan documents that the down payment money had been saved by the buyer. The bank fraud charge alleges that in March 2000, Peter Estevez caused to be provided to World Savings Bank a fraudulent loan application for \$584,000 to purchase a residence at 3 Carriage Hills in San Antonio. The loan application falsely stated the marriage status of the borrower, the borrower's employment history, the monthly income of the borrower, and ownership of present residence. The money laundering charges allege that the down payment used to purchase the residence consisted of proceeds collected from the above mentioned fraud scheme.

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As for the other defendants in this case, they each face those charges returned in the original indictment. **JUAN CARLOS ESTEVEZ a.k.a. "John Estevez,"** age 42; **RICARDO M. ESTEVEZ a.k.a. "Rick Estevez,"** age 31; and, 72-year-old **WILLIAM McQUINN JACKSON a.k.a. "Mack Jackson,"** owner of Jackson Tax Service in San Antonio, are charged with one count of mail fraud. John and Rick Estevez are also charged with one count of money laundering. The indictment also charges two companies operated by the Estevez brothers—Estevez Monroe and Associates (EMA) with mail fraud, and Estevez Monroe Incorporated (EMI) with both mail fraud and money laundering.

As was charged in the original indictment, the superseding indictment alleges that defendants carried out a fraudulent scheme from January 19, 1995, to April 7, 2000 in connection with obtaining a loan from the City of San Antonio to rehabilitate an apartment complex at 130 Elmhurst. The indictment alleges that the brothers spent funds on non-project expenses, and eventually sold the apartment complex without completing the rehabilitation. The superseding indictment also alleges that Mack Jackson created two false income tax returns for Rick Estevez to use in applying for a sham bank loan sought in furtherance of the scheme.

Upon conviction of all charges, Peter Estevez faces up to 120 years in federal prison; Rick Estevez and John Estevez each face up to 15 years in federal prison; and, Jackson faces up to five years in federal prison. This case was investigated by special agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation. Assistant United States Attorney Larry Mathews is prosecuting this case on behalf of the government. It is important to note that an indictment is merely a charge and should not be considered as evidence of guilt.

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